

California Department of Fish and Game

Private Lands Management Program 2002 Fact Sheet

Loss of habitat is the single most important challenge facing wildlife populations and wildlife managers today. In response to this problem, the California Department of Fish and Game created the Private Lands Management (PLM) Program, which offers landowners incentives to manage their lands for the benefit of wildlife. This increases benefits to a landowner while preventing the conversion of private lands to land uses that are not compatible with wildlife, such as urban development, grazing, and logging. Landowners who enroll in this "ranching for wildlife" program consult with biologists to make biologically sound habitat improvements that benefit wildlife, like providing water sources, planting native plants for food, and making brush piles for cover. In return for these habitat improvements, landowners can charge fees for wildlife viewing, hunting and fishing. This partnership between wildlife managers and private landowners helps conserve and maintain wildlife habitat in our state.

Facts about the PLM Program:

- There are currently 72 PLM properties.
- The program encompasses nearly 834,000 acres of wildlife habitat.
- California has about 101 million acres of land, about half of which is privately owned.
- The largest PLM property is 270,000 acres; the smallest property is 340 acres.
- The average PLM size is about 11,900 acres; half have fewer than 6,050 acres.
- Many wildlife species benefit, including deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, wild turkeys, quail, waterfowl, and endangered species like sandhill crane.
- The program began in 1979 as a three-year pilot program with five ranches in five counties. In 1983, the California Legislature voted to make it a long-term program.
- The program is self-supporting, covering its operating costs from program application fees and the sale of PLM hunting tags and seals.
- Participation in the program requires the submission and acceptance of a sound management plan. PLM areas are licensed for five-year periods; annual reviews ensure that agreed-upon habitat improvements have been made.
- Many PLM properties offer expanded hunting season dates and/or bag limits. Wherever possible, "parity hunts" with similar season dates are offered for people hunting on public lands adjacent to these properties.
- Wildlife do not recognize property boundaries between public and private lands, so improvements to a PLM property can benefit adjacent public lands as well.

For more information about the Private Lands Management Program or to get an application packet, please contact the Private Lands Management Program, California Department of Fish and Game, 1812 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 or call (916) 445-3564.



2002 PRIVATE LANDS WILDLIFE HABITAT ENHANCEMENT AND MANAGEMENT (PLM) AREA COOPERATORS

PRIVATE LANDS AREA NAME & CONTACT PERSON	MAILING ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER	DEER ZONE	COUNTY	DFG REGION	PLM ACREAGE	PRIMARY MANAGED GAME SPECIES	SELLS TO THE PUBLIC
Bar B6 Wildlife Management Area (Mr. Charles Pritchard)	9765 Carrisa Highway Santa Margarita, CA 93453	(805) 475-2386	elk	Kern and San Luis Obispo	3	11,222	elk	YES
Bardin Ranch (Mr. Robert Swanson)	Post Office Box 201 Tres Pinos, CA 95075	(831) 628-3460	А	Monterey	3	8,000	elk	YES
Bell Ranch (Mr. David Garst)	4850 Meridian Road Chico, CA 95973	(530) 894-7372	C-4	Tehama	1	12,500	deer	YES
Big Bluff Ranch (Mr. Frank Dawley)	12480 Colyear Road Red Bluff, CA 96080	(530) 529-2291	B-5	Tehama	1	4,000	deer	YES
Big Morongo Springs Ranch (Mr. Terry Anderson)	9438 North Star Morongo Valley, CA 92256	(760) 363-6892	D-14	San Bernardino	6	7,272	bear and deer	YES
Black Ranch (Mr. Fred Carroll)	650 California Street, 23 rd Floor San Francisco, CA 94108	(415) 986-6264	C-3	Shasta	1	1,000	deer and elk	YES
Buckeye Ranch (Mr. William Morgan)	7541 Pleasants Valley Road Vacaville, California 95688	(707) 424-1681	А	Solano	2	3,200	deer	YES
Burrows Ranch (Mr. Bill Burrows)	12250 Colyear Springs Road Red Bluff, CA 96080	(530) 529-1535	B-5	Tehama	1	3,500	deer	YES
Carnaza Wildlife Management Area (Mr. Alex Kuhnle)	7373 Carnaza Road Santa Margarita, CA 93453	(805) 475-2341	elk	San Luis Obispo	3	28,235	elk	YES
Cedar Canyon (Ms. Loretta Twisselman)	6975 Bitterwater Road Shandon, CA 93461	(805) 238-6557	elk	Kern and San Luis Obispo	3	6,634	elk	YES
Chimney Rock Ranch (Mr. H.E. Blythe)	4520 Adelaida Road Paso Robles, CA 93446	(805) 238-4774	А	San Luis Obispo	3	6,500	deer	YES
Clarks Valley-Red Rock Ranch (Ms. Jewell Estill)	Post Office Box 67 Likely, CA 96116	(530) 233-4819	X-3b	Lassen	1	8,630	deer and pronghorn	YES
Cloud's Willow Creek Ranch (Mr. Carrol Cloud)	Post Office Box 159 New Pine Creek, OR 97635	(530) 946-4153	X-3b	Modoc	1	2,189	deer, elk, and pronghorn	YES
Connolly Ranch & Corral Hollow Ranch (Mr. Mark Connolly)	Post Office Box 1122 Tracy, CA 95378-1122	(209) 836-0725	А	San Joaquin and Alameda	2	11,758	elk	YES
Corning Land and Cattle Company (Mr. Jeff Weinstein)	Post Office Box 8720 Stockton, CA 95208	(209) 478-2230	B-5	Tehama	1	6,000	deer, quail, and bear	YES

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Cortina Ridge Ranch (Multiple Use Managers)	Post Office Box 1210 West Point, CA 95255	(209) 293-7087	А	Colusa	2	4,600	elk	YES
Dillon Lake Ranch (Mr. Larry Newhall)	250 Manor Drive Mill Valley, CA 94941	(415) 383-2551	pronghorn	Lassen	1	488	deer and pronghorn	YES
Eden Valley Ranch (Mr. Albert Seeno)	Post Office Box 4113 Concord, CA 94524	(925) 671-7711	B-1	Mendocino	3	19,957	deer and elk	YES
Five Dot Horse Lake Ranch (Mr. Tom Swickard)	Post Office Box 99 Milford, CA 96121	(530) 253-3164	X-5a	Lassen	1	8,000	deer and pronghorn	YES
Five Dot Ranch McCelland Unit (Mr. Tom Sickard)	Post Office Box 99 Milford, CA 96121	(530) 253-3164	X-6A	Lassen	1	3,000	deer and pronghorn	YES
Five Dot Ranch, Avila Unit (Mr. Tom Swickard)	Post Office Box 99 Milford, CA 96121	(530) 253-3164	X-3a	Lassen	1	11,000	deer and pronghorn	YES
Five Dot Willow Creek Ranch (Mr. Tom Swickard)	Post Office Box 99 Milford, CA 96121	(530) 253-3164	X-5c	Lassen	1	7,000	deer and pronghorn	YES
Fowler Ranch (Mr. Charles Fowler)	8989 Adobe Creek Road Kelseyville, CA 95451	(707) 279-2375	А	Lake	3	400	deer and turkey	YES
Gabilan Ranch (Mr. Pete Silacci)	945 Old Stage Road Salinas, CA 93908	(831) 424-4685	elk	Monterey	3	10,000	elk	YES
Hathaway Oak Run Ranch (Mr. Harry Hathaway)	Post Office Box 102 Oak Run, CA 96069	(530) 941-0672	C-3	Shasta	1	6,755	deer and elk	YES
HC Ranch (Ms. Jewell Estill)	Post Office Box 67 Likeley, CA 96116	(530) 233-4819	X-3a	Modoc	1	3,460	deer	YES
Isabel Valley Ranch (Mr. William McDonald)	1150 West San Carlos San Jose, CA 95126	(408) 295-2182	А	Santa Clara	3	11,000	elk	YES
Island Mountain Trinity Ranch (Mr. Kenneth Bowman)	Post Office Box 757 Miranda, CA 95553	(707) 943-3083	B-1	Mendocino and Trinity	3	5,905	deer	YES
Lone Ranch (Mr. James Donham)	5177 Coalinga Road Paicines, CA 95043	(831) 385-3023	А	San Benito	3	12,714	elk	YES
Lookout Ranch (Mr. Kenneth Wright)	300 Knollcrest Drive Redding, CA 96002	(530) 221-8100	X-1	Modoc	1	6,860	deer and pronghorn	YES
Lower Berger Creek (Mr. Jay Gayner)	10500 Laytonville Road Dos Rios, CA 95429	(707)822-9303	B-1	Mendocino	3	1,230	deer	YES

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Martin Ranch (Mr. James Martin)	105 Sheridan Avenue Piedmont, CA 94611	(510) 547-4166	deer	Mendocino	3	1,840	deer	YES
Meissner Ranch (Mr. William Meissner)	15636 Trinity Mountain Road French Gulch, CA 96033	(530) 359-2137	B-2	Shasta	1	1,793	deer	YES
Mendiboure Ranch (Ms. Mary Mendiboure)	5118 Clayton Road Suisun City, CA 94585	(707) 426-2830	X-5b	Lassen	1	12,200	deer and pronghorn	YES
Miller-Eriksen Ranch (Mr. Richard Eriksen)	Post Office Box 31 Laytonville, CA 95454	(707) 984-6092	B-1	Mendocino	3	1,000	deer	YES
Musty Buck Gun Club (Mr. Noel Owens)	4242 Shorthorn Drive Chico, CA 95973	(530) 343-7041	C-4	Butte	2	8,707	deer	YES
PBM Farms (Mr. Larry Pereira)	Post Office Box 726 Dorris, CA 96023	(530) 397-7431	C-1	Siskiyou	1	4,660	deer and pronghorn	YES
Pine Ranch (Mr. Mark Pine)	9 Country Oak Lane Alamo, CA 94507	(925) 998-8150	А	Yolo and Colusa	2	9,400	deer	YES
Potter Valley Wildlife Management Area (Mr. Robert Keiffer)	Post Office Box 354 Hopland, CA 95449	(707) 744-1160	А	Mendocino	3	9,282	deer and elk	YES
R Mountain Ranch (Mr. Rodney Carley)	606 Wilson Avenue Novato, CA 94947	(415) 883-4884	B-1	Mendocino	3	640	deer	YES
Rancho Garate Ranch (Mr. Albert Guyan)	2172 Bridgeport Avenue Fairfield, CA 94585-1602	(707) 425-1026	X-5b	Lassen	1	25,735	deer and pronghorn	YES
Rancho la Cuesta (Mr. Rocky Hill)	348 Phelan Avenue San Jose, CA 95112	(408)297-7906	Α	San Benito	3	4,000	deer and elk	YES
Robinson Creek Ranch (Mr. Waldo Cook)	4991 Robinson Creek Road Ukiah, CA 95482	(707) 462-7797	А	Mendocino	3	1,362	deer	YES
Rooster Cone Ranch (Mr. Jerry Wilkinson)	820 Park Row, Post Office Box 692 Salinas, CA 93901	(831) 484-2144	deer	Stanislaus	4	4,862	deer	YES
R-R Ranch (Mr. Gary Rasche)	4481 Montecito Avenue Santa Rosa, CA 95404	(707) 544-6774	elk	Mendocino	3	1,513	elk	YES
Schneider Ranch (Mr. David Schneider)	990 West Waterfront Drive Eureka, CA 95501	(707) 445-3001	deer	Mendocino	3	5,222	deer	YES
Shamrock Ranch (Mr. Bud Sloan)	7945 Aliso Canyon Road Santa Paula, CA 93060	(805) 647-4016	elk	Mendocino	3	16,000	deer and elk	YES

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Sheep Thief Ranch (Mr. Mike Gallo)	Post Office Box 775 Atwater, CA 95301	(209) 394-7984	deer	Stanislaus	4	960	deer	YES
Snowstorm Ranch (Mr. Dante John Nomellini)	Post Office Box 1461 Stockton, CA 95201	(209) 465-5883	X-5a	Lassen	1	3,000	deer	YES
Spanish Valley Ranch (Mr. Gary Fredericksen)	2520 Tapley Road West Sacramento, CA 95691	(916) 371-2860	X-5b	Lassen	1	35,000	deer, pronghorn and sage grouse	YES
Spring Valley Ranch (Mr. Greg Amaral)	1606 Amaral Court Suisun, CA 94585	(707) 864-8000	elk	Colusa	2	4,254	elk	YES
Sugarloaf Land and Cattle Company (Mr. Prentis Hale)	2452 Green Street San Francisco, CA 94123	(415) 398-6366	D-3	Yuba	2	3,600	deer, quail and turkey	YES
Summer Camp (Mr. Rich Padula)	Post Office Box 537 Willits, CA 95490	(707) 459-6636	B-1	Mendocino	3	52,710	deer and elk	YES
Tejon Ranch (Mr. Donald Geivet)	Post Office Box 1000 Lebec, CA 93243	(661) 248-6774	D-10	Kern	4	270,000	bear, deer, elk, pronghorn and turkey	YES
Temblor Wildlife Management Area (Mr. Nolan Twisselman)	7685 Cattle Drive Santa Margarita, CA 93453	(805) 475-2437	elk	Kern and San Luis Obispo,	3	35,000	elk	YES
Toms Creek Ranch (Mr. Robert Burns)	Post Office Box 88 Alturas, CA 96101	(530) 233-3982	X-3a	Modoc	1	1,235	deer and pronghorn	YES
Williams Ranch (Mr. Dale MacDougall)	Post Office Box 5539 Shasta Lake, CA 96089	(530) 275-0168	B-5	Shasta	1	6,600	deer and bear	YES
Work Ranch (Mr. George Work)	75903 Ranchita Canyon Road San Miguel, CA 93451	(805) 467-3233	А	Monterey	3	12,000	deer	YES

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